SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 93 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to express the sorrow of the General Assembly at the death of Arnold A. "Beady" Atwood.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly was deeply saddened to learn of the death of Arnold

A. "Beady" Atwood, whose bountiful life of purpose and commitment was dedicated to serving

his family and community; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, Arnold Atwood earned the respect and admiration of his peers and the community, always giving fully of himself and observing the time-honored spirit of Tennessee volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Lebanon, Mr. Atwood was the son of Sion and Tennie Stallings

Atwood of Smith County; and

WHEREAS, answering the call to military service, Mr. Atwood served valiantly during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Atwood enjoyed an extensive career in business and public service; he was a partner with Ralph Denney and Dayton Bryant in West Main Motor Company during the early 1950s; he moved to Hartsville in 1953 and established Three-way Motor Company, and later formed a partnership with Fisher Smith and Sam Andrews in Wilson County Livestock Market during the 1960s and '70s; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Atwood generously contributed his time and talent to many civic enterprises, including service as Commander of American Legion posts in Wilson and Trousdale Counties; he was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite; and WHEREAS, Arnold Atwood always demonstrated his concern for the citizens of his community; and

WHEREAS, he will be deeply missed by his son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Charlotte Atwood of Florida, daughters and sons-in-law, Betty and Jackie Gross, Kathy and Bert Gammons, and daughter, Brenda Oliver; he is also survived by five grandchildren: Suzanne Oliver, Jamie Hawkins, Clay and Rachel Gross and Bret Gammons, and two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Atwood has left a legacy of service, hard work and goodwill; he was truly committed to his family and community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the members of this General Assembly hereby honor the memory of Arnold A. "Beady" Atwood, reflecting fondly upon his many lasting contributions to his community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Atwood's family, with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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